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Title: **METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR  
SIMULTANEOUSLY DISPLAYING  
RELATIONSHIPS OF  
MEASUREMENTS OF FEATURES  
ASSOCIATED WITH A MEDICAL  
IMAGE**

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

In the Restriction Requirement mailed March 21, 2005, Claims 1-45 are pending and Claims 1-45 are subject to restriction and/or election requirement. The Examiner has restricted the claims to the following groups:

- I. Claims 1-13 and 39-42, classified in class 600, subclass 440;
- II. Claims 14-22 and 30-32, classified in class 600, subclass 449;
- III. Claims 23-29, classified in class 600, subclass 443; and
- IV. Claims 43-45, classified in class 600, subclass 458.

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants hereby elect Group I including Claims 1-13 and 39-42 without traverse for continued prosecution, and without prejudice to the non-elected Group II (Claims 14-22, 30-32), Group III (Claims 23-29), and Group IV (Claims 43-45).

The Examiner has also indicated that the application contains claims directed to patentable distinct species (A. fetal growth and B. time-intensity curves) and that election of a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits if no generic claims is finally held to be allowable is required. Claims 1 and 4-13 are considered to be generic.

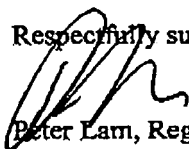
Applicants hereby elect the species associated with time-intensity curves (contrast agent usage) as claimed in Claim 2 without traverse for continued prosecution and without prejudice to the unelected species associated with fetal growth as claimed in Claim 3, in the event that no generic claim is finally held to be allowable. Applicants believe that Claims 1 and 4-13 are generic enough to cover both species.

If the Examiner has any questions, Applicant invites the Examiner to call at the contact number given below.

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